UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

PUBLIC NOTICE

REAPPOINTMENT OF INCUMBENT FULL TIME MAGISTRATE JUDGE

The current term of the office of full time United States Magistrate Judge Sandra M. Snyder is due to expire on May 3, 2009. The United States District Court is required by law to establish a panel of citizens to consider the reappointment of the magistrate judge to a new eight-year term.

The duties of the magistrate judge position include the following: (1) conduct of most preliminary proceedings in criminal cases; (2) trial and disposition of misdemeanor cases; (3) conduct of various pretrial matters and evidentiary proceedings on delegation from the judges of the district court; (4) trial and disposition of civil cases upon consent of the litigants; and (5) hearing of habeas corpus prisoner petitions and Social Security cases.

Comments from members of the bar and the public are invited as to whether the incumbent magistrate judge should be recommended by the panel for reappointment by the Court and should be directed to:

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Comments must be received no later than October 21, 2008.

DATED: August 22, 2008.

ATTEST:

VICTORIA MINOR, Clerk of Court U.S. District Court 501 "I" Street, Suite 4-200 Sacramento, CA 95814

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